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Viet LE *et al.*) Group Art Unit: 2633
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For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR)
MODULAR MULTIPLEXING AND)
AMPLIFICATION IN A MULTI-)
CHANNEL PLAN)

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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 26, 2002, Applicants submit the following
amendments and remarks:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 41-76 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please amend claim 77 as follows:

~~77. (Amended) A system for multiplexing/demultiplexing optical signals in a set of~~
~~multiple channels within an operating window of a fiber communication network,~~
~~comprising:~~
~~a coarse wavelength division multiplexing/demultiplexing unit configured to support~~
~~bi-directional optical signal traffic, the optical signal traffic comprising a first set of~~

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